

REGULATORY FOCUS BULLETIN

FILE TOPIC: Infection Control

There are incidents in other states where facilities are being cited for not having all items covered on the food tray (including dessert or bread) during the transport of the tray from the food cart to the resident. Is this appropriate? Will this be done in North Carolina?

If food carts are covered and positioned outside the resident's room and the tray is removed and taken directly into the resident's room, covering the dessert, breads and beverages is not required.